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INFO: ECA/PE/V/G/N-ALICE SHIFFLETT; SA/PD

E.O. 12958: N/A
TAGS: OEXC SCUL KPAO OEXC
SUBJECT: FY-2004 MRP "U.S. FOREIGN POLICY AND COUNTER
TERRORISM" JUNE 17-JULY 8, 2004: SRI LANKAN NOMINATION
PROJECT NUMBER: E/VP-2004-0029

REF: (A) STATE 103436, (B) COLOMBO 0676

¶1. POST NOMINATES MR. NIMAL SENANAYAKE, SENIOR LEGAL
ASSISTANT, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOR
PARTICIPATION IN SUBJECT PROJECT. POST CONFIRMS THAT
THIS NOMINATION HAS "FULL COUNTRY TEAM APPROVAL."

¶2. NOMINATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):
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EXPORT-SOURCE: POST-EVDB
VERSION: 3.0.7
POST-EMAIL: rscmb@pd.state.gov
TRANSMITTING-POST: PAS Colombo
TRANSMITTING-POST-ID: 2929
EXPORT-TYPE: BIO DATA
START NOMINATION:
ECA-OFFICE: E/VP
PROG-AGENCY-NAME:
POST-PROJ-ID: 96
ECA-PROJ-NO: E/VP-2004-0029
PROJ-NAME: U.S. Foreign Policy and Counter Terrorism -
June 17-July 8, 2004
START MEMO PROJ-DESC:

END MEMO PROJ-DESC:
PROJ-TYPE: Multi-Regional
PROG-TYPE: IV Group Projects
FY: 2004
DEPART-POST: 06/15/2004
SESSION-DATE: 06/17/2004
RETURN-POST: 07/11/2004
NO-OF-PART: 1
RANK-ORDER: 12
START MEMO POST-OBJ:
This nomination is in support of MPP goal on "Economic
Prosperity and Security."
END MEMO POST-OBJ:
START MEMO POST-RCMD:

END MEMO POST-RCMD:
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PROG-AGENCY-ID:
PROJ-TYPE-ID: MRP
PROG-TYPE-ID: 31
NOMINATING-POST-ID: 2929
FUNDING-CNTRY-ID:
STATUS: N
ORIGINATOR: P
SUBJ-DISC: Terrorism
START BIO:
PREFIX: Mr.
F-NAME: Srimanthaka (Sri)
M-NAME: Nimal
L-NAME: SENANAYAKE
SUFFIX:
POSITION-CODE: 114
PRINCIPAL?: Yes
M-ADDR1: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
M-ADDR2: Republic Square
M-ADDR3:
M-CITY: Colombo 1
M-STATE:
M-CNTRY: Sri Lanka
M-ZONE:
M-ZIP:
M-PHONE: (94-11) 533-9414
M-FAX:
M-EMAIL:
M-CNTRY-ID: CE
M-ADDRTYPE: B
GENDER: M
DOB: 10/04/1959
MAR-STAT: M
BIRTH-CITY: Colombo
BIRTH-CNTRY: Sri Lanka
CITIZ-CNTRY: Sri Lanka

RES-CNTRY: Sri Lanka
START MEMO POSITION:
Senior Legal Assistant, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
1998- to date
END MEMO POSITION:
START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
1995-98 Legal Counsel at the Chambers of Faiz Mustapha,
President's Counsel (PC)
END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
1999-2002 - several short visits to New York to attend
the UN General Assembly sessions
Sept. 2002 - Visited Washington, D.C. for State
sponsored Counter Terrorism Legislation Training
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:

END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
LL.B., University of Colombo, 1993
Attorney-at-Law, Sri Lanka Law College, 1995
END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:

END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

END MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

FIRST-LANG: Sinhala

ENGL-READ: 4

ENGL-SPEAK: 4

ENGL-COMP: 4

START MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

This nomination is in support of MPP goal on "Economic
Prosperity and Security."

END MEMO NOM-POST-OBJ:

START MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

END MEMO NOM-POST-RCMD:

START MEMO VIS-OBJ:

END MEMO VIS-OBJ:

START MEMO VIS-REC:

END MEMO VIS-REC:

NOMINATING-OFFICER: Will Avery

START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

Mr. Sri Senanayake is one of the key players in the
Legal Division of the Foreign Ministry in Colombo. Mr.
Senanayake directly deals with the important anti
terrorist issues. Foreign Ministry is the focal point
in the GSL for fight against terrorism. Mr. Senanayake
will greatly benefit from the IVP on U.S. Foreign
Policy and Counter Terrorism. We expect the program to
give him a good understanding of the need to combat
terrorism and ways to combat terrorism. The
interaction with counterparts from the U.S. and other
countries will also help to strengthen ties between
them and facilitate information exchange.

Mr. Senayake's work at the Legal Division involves
multifaceted subjects ranging from terrorism to
negotiating bilateral agreements, UN issues etc. As a
result, we have to seek Mr. Senanayake's assistance on
various matters frequently ranging from terrorism
cooperation, double tax treaty and demarche request
status. Further, as the USG and GSL proceed along with
TIFA, any future bilateral trade agreement will need to
have strong cooperation from the MFA. In addition, Mr.
Senanayake is likely to succeed the current head of the
MFA Legal Division in the not too distant future.
Post confirm that this nomination has "full country
team approval."

END MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:

NOM-OFF: ECON

SPEAKER?: No

NOTIFY-EMB: Yes

MEDIA?: No

HOME-STAY: Yes

HOME-HOSP?: Yes

E-I-TYPE:

NOMINEE-ID: 130

PERSON-ID: 133

BIRTH-CNTRY-ID: CE

CITIZ-CNTRY-ID: CE

RES-CNTRY-ID: CE

FIRST-LANG-ID: SI

E-I-TYPE-ID:

NOM-POST-ID: 2929

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US-AGENCY-AMT2: 0
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INTL-ORG-AMOUNT2: 0
VIS-GOVT-AMT: 0
COMMISSION: 0
OTHER-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-AMOUNT: 0
VIS-CAT: 5
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13. PLEASE ADVISE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS NOMINATION.
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